

# Advisory Committee Meeting October 10, 2007, 6:30 -8:00 PM

# **Meeting Summary**

1. Welcome & Introductions Flor Velarde, Bureau of Planning

2. **Opening Notes** Atlanta City Council Member Joyce Sheperd

3. **Overview of Plan** Jonathan Gelber, Bureau of Planning

Mr. Gelber presented a truncated version of the project overview presentation from the first Cleveland Avenue Corridor plan public meeting on September 6, 2007.

#### a. Study Area

- i. Project Limits:
  - 1. East Point City Limits to Jonesboro road plus ¼ mile buffer (3 ¼ miles)
- ii. Activity Nodes
  - 1. SpringdaleRd.
  - 2. Metropolitan Parkway
  - 3. Interstate 75
  - 4. Interstate 85
  - 5. Old Hapeville Rd.
  - 6. Macon Rd.
  - 7. Browns Mill Rd.
  - 8. Jonesboro Rd

#### b. Schedule

Public Meetings	Date	Time	Location
Kickoff	September 6, 2007	6:30 -8:00 PM	Rosel Fann Rec. Center
CLV Public 2	October 18, 2007	6:30 -8:00 PM	Rosel Fann Rec. Center
Visioning Workshop	<b>December 1, 2007</b>	9:00 AM - Noon	Rosel Fann Rec. Center
Recommendations & Implementation Plan	January 17, 2008	6:30 -8:30 PM	Rosel Fann Rec. Center
Draft Plan	February 21, 2008	6:30 -8:30 PM	Rosel Fann Rec. Center
Final Plan (If Nec.)	March 27, 2008	6:30 -8:30 PM	Rosel Fann Rec. Center

Advisory Committee Meetings	Date	Time	Location	Location
Kickoff	October 10, 2007	6:30 PM	8:00 PM	Rosel Fann Rec. Center
Existing Conditions & Visioning Workshop	November15, 2007	6:30 PM	8:00 PM	Rosel Fann Rec. Center
Recommendations	January 9, 2008	6:30 PM	8:00 PM	Rosel Fann Rec. Center
Draft Plan	February 13, 2008	6:30 PM	8:00 PM	Rosel Fann Rec. Center

# c. Further opportunities for public involvement

- i. Focus Groups
  - 1. Land Use & Zoning
  - 2. Economic Development
  - 3. Transportation and Streetscapes
- ii. Advisory Committee
- iii. Stakeholder Interviews
- iv. NPUs and Neighborhoods
- v. Web Site: <a href="https://www.atlantaga.gov/government/planning/clevelandavenue.aspx">www.atlantaga.gov/government/planning/clevelandavenue.aspx</a>

#### d. Role of the Advisory Committee

Advisory committee members will have the following roles:

- i. To represent the community at large throughout the planning process
- ii. To ensure that the plan truly represents the community
- iii. To help define the goals & vision of the plan
- iv. To ensure that the plan addresses any issues that are special or unique to the neighborhood
- v. Review and comment on plan documents

#### e. Scope and Process of the Plan

The following questions represent some preliminary goals for the plan. Please think about them and be ready to make suggestions of how to change or improve them to reflect the community's vision.

- i. What can we do now to create the Cleveland Avenue we want to see in 5, 10, 25 or 50 years?
- ii. How can we encourage a diverse and sustainable mix of housing, employment, shopping business, and open space?
- iii. How can we promote and encourage smart growth and redevelopment while protecting the neighborhood's existing character, businesses and residents?
- iv. What can we do to improve the corridor' visual character?
- v. **How can we encourage growth and development** along Cleveland Avenue
- vi. **How can we create a strong positive identity** and character for the Cleveland Avenue?
- vii. What are the corridor's strengths, and what can we do to capitalize on those strengths?
- 4. Review of Visual Preference Survey

#### 5. Next Steps

- a. Existing conditions Public Meeting Oct 18
- b. Next Advisory Meeting Nov 15

#### 6. Questions and Comments

- The study area has a number of historic sites particularly the; these should be inventoried for the cultural component of the study.
- Pay special attention to historic resources, especially the Jeremiah Gilbert house memorial.
- Pay special attention to transit and transportation issues for seniors.
- Repair sidewalks in poor condition (specific locations provided)..Corridor lacks continuous sidewalks.
- Address trash and sanitation issues, especially at bus shelters.
- Street repair & maintenance is inadequate

#### 7. Adjourn

#### For more information call the Bureau of Planning

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# Visual Preference Survey Feedback-

The Advisory was asked to give their impressions on the highest and lowest scoring images from the Visual preference Survey from the September 5 Public Meeting

#### **TOP 10**

# Picture 17 – Score 88



Pros:

Walkable Green

**Great Location** 

Clean Relaxed Serene Not Crowded

Picture 38 – Score 82



Pros:

Accessible
Open
Walkable
Well Kept
Green
New sidewalks
protected
Pedestrian Friendly

Picture 39 – Score 77



Pros:

Sidewalk Picket fence Lighting Elevation Wide

Picture 15 – Score 80



Pros:

Family Bikes Lights

Wide sidewalks

Green

Contemporary Architecture Space

# Picture 13 – Score 76



Pros:

Variety
Wide streets
Space b/t houses
Older look yet still
contemporary
Old Trees
Curb Access protect
pedestrians

# Picture 35 – Score 74



Cons:

Contemporary No Sidewalk Cookie Cutter Limited Style

# Picture 9 – Score 74



Pro:

Nice Space/landscaping

Con:

No sidewalk Cookie Cutter Surburban

Picture 10 – Score 74



Pro:

Crosswalk
Wide sidewalks
Density
Bldg High but not too
high
Bollards
Banners

# **BOTTOM 10**

Picture 26 – Score 4



Cons:

No division Blight Poor Lighting Signs

Not pedestrian friendly

Picture 32 – Score 5



Cons:

Fences
Outdated Architecture
No Correlation within
complex
Projects
No landscape
Paving

Picture 6 – Score 7



Cons:

No Entrance No Sidewalk Dated Overgrown Utilities

Picture 36 – Score 10



Cons:

Weeds No color Safcts Utilities No Pedestrian access

# Picture 31 – Score 10



Cons

No trees Utilities Pedestrian Safety No cohesion No identity Narrow Sidewalks Not Modern

# Picture 46 – Score 12



Pros:

Sidewalks Green Buffer Poles back from street

Cons:

Too much concrete Strip mall Businesses set back too

far

# Picture 28 – Score 10



Cons:

No green Too much concrete Ugly Dirty No street Division Façade Lights

Ugly Architecture

Picture 50 – Score 15



Pros:

Wide streets Green

Cons:

Billboard Ugly Architecture

Utilities
Not inviting
Not modern

# Picture 34 – Score 19



Cons:

Sterile

Big Box

Generic

Poor condition

Not inviting

Underutilized

Inefficient

Picture 7 – Score 21



Pros:

Center turn lane

Mast arm signals

Cons:

Pedestrian Safety

Access

No Uniformity